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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, QA, US  
SUBJECT: QATARI REQUEST FOR 105MM ARTILLERY AND OTHER  
EQUIPMENT

REF: (A) DOHA 187, (B) STATE 244719

1. DEFENSE HAS JUST CONCLUDED PREPARATION OF PRICE AND  
AVAILABILITY DATA ON 105MM HOWITZERS, AND 116MM RECOILLESS  
RIFLES. WE ARE SEEKING POLICY DETERMINATION ON RELEASE  
THESE WEAPONS TO QATAR WITHIN FRAMEWORK OUR LOWER GULF  
ARMS SALE POLICY  
(PARA 2, REFTEL B), AND WILL COMPLETE  
THIS PROCESS AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE

2. WE WILL TRANSMIT P. & A. DATA TO YOU PROMPTLY IF  
POLICY DETERMINATION IS POSITIVE. IN THE MEANTIME, YOU  
SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT LETTERS OF OFFER FOR THESE OR  
OTHER ITEMS CAN ONLY BE PREPARED AND RELEASED TO YOU FOR  
GOQ PURSUANT TO FORMAL GOQ REQUEST FOR THESE WEAPONS.

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3. FYI AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS REQUESTED BY ATTIYAH ARE

OBSOLESCENT, AND CAN NO LONGER BE SUPPORTED LOGISTICALLY.  
THE SOLE FOLLOW-ON SYSTEM CURRENTLY IN US INVENTORY IS THE  
VULCAN, A RADAR-CONTROLLED SIX-BARREL, 20MM, GATLING-TYPE  
RAPID-FIRE WEAPON. VULCAN IS HIGHLY SOPHISTICATED, AND  
RELEASE TO QATAR WOULD REQUIRE SPECIAL APPROVAL. END FYI.  
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